

City of West Lafayette, Indiana  
Board of Public Works and Safety  
MINUTES

April 12, 2016  
8:30 a.m.  
Morton Community Center  
Multi-Purpose Room

Members present were Bradley L. Cohen, Brooke E. Folkers, Thomas J. Kent, and Jonathan C. Speaker. Clerk Sana G. Booker presided.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. April 5, 2016 Meeting

Ms. Folkers moved to accept the minutes of the April 5, 2016, Board of Works meeting. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Hire: Intern – Bryce Patz – Development

Director of Development Poole requested the approval to hire Bryce Patz as an urban forestry intern in the Development Department starting May 2, 2016. Mr. Patz will be working part-time, with the pay rate of \$10.00 per hour.

Mr. Kent moved that the hire of Bryce Patz be approved. Mr. Speaker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

b. Contract: Pop Art – Purdue Night Train – Development

Marketing & Grants Administrator Shaw explained that this is the final contract to be approved from the batch of agreements that were presented at the April 5, 2016, meeting. Ms. Shaw stated that the Purdue Night is scheduled to perform at Pay Less on April 15, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. and at Dogs and Suds at 6:00 p.m.

Ms. Folkers moved that the Pop Art contract be approved. Mr. Cohen seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

c. Agreement: Watershed Cost-Share Program – Wabash River Enhancement Corporation (WREC) – Development

Marketing & Grants Administrator Shaw requested approval of the Watershed Cost-Share Program with Wabash River Enhancement Corporation (WREC). Ms. Shaw explained this grant, in the amount of \$7,800.00, is to help the City plant trees on South River Road.

Mr. Speaker moved that the agreement with Wabash River Enhancement Corporation be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

d. Contract: 2016 Operation Releaf Spring Planting Project – GardenArt – Development  
Marketing & Grants Administrator Shaw requested approval of the 2016 Operation Releaf Spring Planting Project contract with GardenArt. She explained this contract is to plant trees throughout West Lafayette in the tree lawns, to which most will be in Blackbird Farms Apartments, to finalize a planting project with the assistance of a WREC grant.

Ms. Folkers moved that the contract with GardenArt be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

e. Variance Requests and Escrow Agreement: Blackbird Farms Apartments, Phase II, LLC – Area Plan Commission – Engineering

Public Works Director Buck requested approval of variance requests on behalf of Area Plan Commission (APC). Director Buck explained that these variances waive certain items found in the Unified Subdivision Ordinance. These items include half-width pavement improvement, sidewalks with curbs, and grassed landscaped median, along the McCormick Road frontage. He stated that these variances make sense to the City, but the City has asked the developer to provide an escrow agreement to fund future improvements.

Corporation Counsel Burns asked the total amount of the escrow agreement.

Marianne Owen (Stuart & Branigin, LLP), on behalf of the Petitioners Blackbird Farms Apartments, Phase II, LLC, responded that \$45,849.00 will be placed in an escrow account with Lafayette Bank and Trust.

Mr. Speaker moved that the variance requests and escrow agreement be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

Mr. Cohen asked if the variance requests were already accepted before they got to the Board.

Counsel Burns responded that it goes through the developer, and then the Engineering Department to make sure there is sufficient money to do the anticipated improvements.

Director Buck noted that the land has recently been rezoned by the City Council, and is now going through the subdivision process.

The motion was adopted.

f. Change Order No. 10: Cumberland Avenue Phase III – Milestone Contractors, LP – Engineering

Public Works Director Buck requested approval for Change Order No. 10 for the Cumberland Avenue, Phase III with Milestone Contractors, LP. Director Buck explained this change order, in the amount of \$1,591.79, is to cover all the necessary items needed for the electric work and traffic signals with Milestone's subcontractor Midwest Electric.

Mr. Kent moved that the Change Order No. 10 with Milestone Contractor, LP be approved. Mr. Cohen seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

g. 2014 SRF Loan Disbursement Request No. 47 – Sheraton and Fairway Knolls Lift Station Project – Wessler Engineering, Inc. – WWTU

WWTU Director Henderson requested approval of the 2014 SRF Loan Disbursement Request No. 47 to Wessler Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$5,855.00. Director Henderson stated that this disbursement is for the inspection services provided by Wessler Engineering, Inc. for the onsite inspector at the Sheraton and Fairway Knolls Lift Station.

Mr. Cohen moved that the 2014 SRF Loan Disbursement Request No. 47 be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

h. Claims

i. AP Docket      \$272,277.67

Mr. Speaker moved that the claims be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

There were no questions or comments about the claims.

The motion was adopted.

i. Informational Items

i. Project Payment List – WWTU

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

ii. Park Board Dockets

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

j. Other Items

► WWTU Director Henderson reported that the progress for the CSO Relief Interceptor Project has slowed down. Director Henderson stated that due to the different service stations that have been located at that intersection throughout the years, there is documented leakage of underground storage tanks and previous supporting evidence. There was also evidence of this when dewatering samples were recently pulled. Bowen Engineering has now brought in a refrigerant to help provide filtration.

Mr. Kent asked if any other agencies such as EPA or State Agencies would need to be involved if the site needed to be remediated.

Director Henderson responded that the City has their Rule Five Permit which contains parameters for the dewatering operations. This particular issue is common when digging to these depths in areas that have been developed for several years.

Mr. Cohen asked what the projected timeline is to be able to start digging.

Director Henderson responded that with the weather permitting, the river is now receding, and the pumping has been resumed. Bowen Engineering will continue to pump.

► Facilities Director Clark noted that this weekend is alumni weekend at Purdue University, during which the spring football game will take place.

► Engineering Assistant Garrison reported updates on various street projects. He stated that the INDOT Project on Sagamore Parkway will cause the Northwestern overpass to close from Wednesday to Friday this week during business hours. The Stadium Avenue closure started this morning, and is scheduled to last until Friday. There will be a soft closure at Martin Jischke Drive and a hard closure at David Ross Road. On Thursday there will be a lane shift during work hours on McCormick Road to do a tie-in at the intersection. The Happy Hollow Project is moving along well. The main trunk line will be installed within the next two weeks, then inlets will be placed, and subgrade treatment will start.

► Parks Superintendent Fawley stated that last Saturday was the annual art show. The artwork is still on display in rooms 106 and 108 at the Morton Community Center. She encouraged the public to view the artwork on display this week. Ms. Fawley noted there are two times next week for the public meetings to hear the results of the recent Parks and Recreation Survey. The first time will be Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Lily Nature Center, and the second one will be Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. at the West Lafayette Public Library. A new playground is being built at Cumberland Park as a community-build project, which includes the help of the Kiwanis Club, RDC, and volunteers. More volunteers are needed to help on April 28-29, 2016.

Mr. Cohen asked what the hours were for people interested in volunteering, to which Superintendent Fawley responded they would begin at 8:00 a.m. and finish up around 5:00 p.m.

► Marketing & Grants Administrator Shaw stated that on Friday at 2:30 p.m. the Heron Sculpture by Jeff Laramore will be dedicated. There will also be a local poet reading poems as part of the Pop Art performances. People will also be able to make origami herons during this time. She encouraged people to attend.

### 3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Speaker moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Clerk Booker adjourned the meeting.